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Are steps being taken to open up that covered bridge at Jonesville?

A proposition in Rutland is to transform the old house of correction into a normal school. In other words, it is a proposition to change the abnormal to the normal.

If any American veterans of Chateau-Thierry are in the punitive expedition in Mexico, they undoubtedly will consider themselves out on a lark, conditions are so different.

Such friendly converse was held between President Wilson and the members of the Senate foreign relations committee that it is to be hoped the session may not be the last.

Just think what we in Vermont would do if the United States had a neighbor on the north like the neighbor on the south! Life would not be the fine thing it is at present here in Vermont.

With the closing of the theatres by reason of strikes in various parts of the country, we shall have to resort to real life for entertainment. Needless to say, there are plenty of exhibitions for the observant person.

The treacherous shores of Lake Dunmore ought to be marked so that bathers would keep away from such places. The fatality of Thursday, following so closely after the drowning of another girl from a canoe this summer furnishes warning of the necessity of such charting of the dangerous places.

While the American troops are dodging about the mountains of northern Mexico, they might make some maps of the terrain so that bandit lairs could be sought out easier the next time the United States finds it necessary to send an expedition into that wild territory to seek out bandits who have committed acts of lawlessness against the United States and American people.

A St. Louis man comes back from Mexico with the story of having been held by Carranza men and robbed of \$10,000 in cash and \$2,600 in jewelry. He ought to be placed in an insane asylum for carrying that amount of detachable property about with him in a country filled with robbers. No sane man would go into Mexico wearing \$2,600 worth of jewelry, nor would he carry \$10,000 in cash, providing there were any other possible way of transporting it. We repeat that the man's mental status ought to be looked into first of all.

There may be the hint of a possible candidacy in the following editorial paragraph from Harry C. Whitehill's newspaper, the Waterbury Record:

We know of several men in this town, including C. C. Graves, W. B. Clark, Ernest Newcomb, S. C. Wheeler, C. D. Swasey, H. T. Harvey and H. C. Whitehill, who would stand a chance of being elected town representative, providing they would move to Somerset. Somerset has only one legal voter left in town.

Waterbury would be assured of a real, live representative at Montpelier, if it should pick one of the above men, not the least, to be sure, the last-named Waterbury resident.

One farm in Ludlow has produced 4,800 quarts of strawberries and 1,360 quarts of raspberries this season. It probably took some years and a great deal of labor to bring the farm up to that degree of productivity, but the annual returns

from the fruitage are so large as to make the farmer forget the money and labor spent. Other farmers might take heed of the example and go into the strawberry and raspberry business as an adjunct of their farm activities. Vermont is so near the large markets that there should be no trouble in disposing of the product each year, although the income will not average as high as it went this season.

The Waterbury party which motored completely through Smugglers' notch from Stowe side to Jeffersonville were undoubtedly pioneers in such an expedition, and as pioneers they ran into such hardships as are not recommended for others. Some time this notch route will be completely built so that it will be a pleasure to motor through, but for the present it is advised that motorists stop at the top of the grade from the Stowe side of the mountain. Needless to say, perhaps, it was the most popular brand of automobiles which went through over the stony, almost impassable route down the western slope from the point where the state road ends.

It ought to go without saying that the president of the United States has no authority to proclaim peace until after the United States Senate has ratified the treaty involved. In divulging that information to Senator Fall, President Wilson was not opening up any new line of thought, but he may have placed a somewhat strong incentive explicitly before the United States by repeating a self-evident fact. Moreover, there will not be a marked beginning toward reconstruction as to the cost of living until the Senate gets active and ratifies the treaty with Germany. Although everybody expects there will be a formal ratification sooner or later, almost everybody is waiting for the formal and definite announcement of the accomplished fact before they proceed to get into full operations of peace time again. It is as much a state of mind as anything else that governs this reconstruction movement; and that state of mind can be put at rest only by man-fashion action on the part of the United States Senate in voting for ratification without entanglements that will endanger the treaty itself.

THE WATCH ON THE RHINE.

The 7,000 American troops who are chosen to remain in Germany until the terms of the treaty of peace are complied with will undoubtedly be made up of the men who enlisted for that very service, so that no undue hardship will be imposed on men unwillingly. A considerable number of the voluntary enlist-

Couldn't Be Done---So He Did It

Somebody said that it couldn't be done.
But he, with a chuckle, replied:
That "Maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so 'til he tried.
So he buckled right in with a trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried, he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done---and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;
At least no one ever has done it."
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it:
With the lift of his chin, and a bit of a grin,
Without any doubting or quidding.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done---and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you, it cannot be done.
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you, one by one,
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Then take off your coat and go to it.
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing
That "cannot be done"---and you'll do it.---Herbert Guest.

This little poem seems to emphasize qualities which exist in nearly every individual, but which in the majority of cases lie dormant. Why is it? Perhaps it may be from the fact that they have not the confidence which a bank account would inspire in them. It is difficult to measure the reserve power of a savings account. It is the beginning in a small way of wonderful accomplishments, not from the intrinsic value of the money itself, but the self-reliance which it instills.

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CURRENT COMMENT

Whitehill Blows the Straws.

Lieut. Gov. Mason S. Stone's speaking engagements are taking him rather close to Hon. Fred H. Babbitt's home. No doubt Mr. Stone gave them a rattling good address at White River Junction. Right here in Washington county, we are rather proud of this fluent speaker.

Hon. Alexander Dunnnett of St. Johnsbury has all the running qualities—lean and well set up. His wind is good. Some would term Hon. M. S. Stone as just a little stubby but decidedly quick in action. We are rather inclined to think

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Give the Women a Chance!

Who stood in the gap; who kept the wheels of industry turning; who stepped in without hesitation to offer their services in those crucial days of national danger, when the boys had left their jobs to battle across the seas?

Who, not only in America, but all over Europe, worked day after day and month after month, never complaining, subjecting themselves to serious poisoning and the danger that they might be blown to atoms at any moment, that the munitions might be turned out fast enough to save the day?

Who was it that not only bore the sorrow, the grief and anguish of the broken family circle, but also kept working early and late that sufficient protection might be afforded the loved ones at the front?

Who carried on at home? Think a moment! Lest we forget!

Pages have been written of the brave deeds and noble sacrifices of the lads at the front, but who is there to sing the praise of that courageous army who toiled at home to get out the guns, the shells, the powder and the food?

Let's give credit where credit is due. The women are not asking for praise; oh, no! their mother instinct and love for justice and humanity are too strong for that. They knew where their path of duty lay in these days of peril, and they set about their tasks cheerfully and efficiently.

If there was ever any serious doubt as to the efficiency of the women of America, their behavior in those momentous days has forever dispelled it.

They are not asking to replace the men where the men are needed; all they ask is the opportunity to earn a decent, respectable living on a reasonable wage under decent conditions, in industries where it is proven that they are more efficient. Can we deny them that?

The women of Barre are as industrious and efficient as those of any other community, and a great many of them have been brought up to work. They know that honest labor under respectable conditions is not degrading and will not affect their social standing one iota; and why should it?

Barre suffered greatly from the flu, as did a great many other towns. What is the situation facing us to-day in this connection? Rev. J. B. Reardon, at the head of our charity department, tells us that it is now costing the city annually twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars to care for our unfortunate dependents, these including fifty widows and nearly two hundred children. Think of it!

We now have an opportunity to remedy this deplorable situation by giving these women, and the children when they get old enough, employment in the Peerless factory.

Here is an opportunity for the public-spirited women of Barre who have been more fortunate than their needy sisters to come to their assistance by buying and helping to sell the Peerless stock.

Here is a splendid opportunity for the public-spirited women of Barre to exercise a little practical Christian charity, right here at home. We are giving constantly for the relief of needy ones away from home, which is right and proper; but let's lend a hand to those distressed at our own door.

The women of Barre are interested in the erection of the Peerless plant in Barre and some have already subscribed for stock. Many more will do so. Let's encourage them. **GIVE THE WOMEN A CHANCE!**

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